DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

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SJRMP Participants

For the past 18 years, the San Joaquin River Management Program (SJRMP) has provided a valuable forum for addressing problems on the San Joaquin River (SJR) system as well as educating stakeholders about activities taking place in the watershed. During this time, awareness of the importance of the SJR has increased dramatically. Today there are a number of significant efforts underway to evaluate and restore the SJR. These include the San Joaquin River Restoration Program, San Joaquin River Parkway and Conservation Trust, San Joaquin River Conservancy, the Four Pumps Agreement, CalFED, and the State FloodSAFE Program to mention only a few. These programs have expanded on concepts presented in the 1995 SJRMP Plan and address everything from fish habitat to water quality to flood control and more.

The proliferation of these programs can be attributed in part to SJRMP's diligence in keeping the spotlight on the SJR Basin. To varying degrees, SJRMP participants are working with many of these programs by participating in meetings, tracking websites and providing input.

The dramatic increase and overlap in the dissemination of information relative to the San Joaquin River suggests that SJRMP has accomplished its goals. Therefore, SJRMP will be retired until a need arises to resume the program. This will allow SJRMP participants to direct their energies to other vital programs that are tackling the many issues and opportunities associated with the San Joaquin River.

Thank you for your dedication and commitment to SJRMP over the years. I encourage you to continue your work on the SJR through the many avenues that are now available to you. SJRMP documents, meeting minutes, links and other information will remain accessible to you through the SJRMP website.

If you would like your contact information shared with other programs working on the SJR, please contact Amanda Peisch at apeisch@water.ca.gov or 559-230-3307.

Sincerely,

Paula J. Landis, Chief San Joaquin District

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